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The Ladies Aid Society of the First Lutheran Church will be entertained this afternoon (Wednesday) by Mrs. Charles Bergman at her home in Uppertown. Members and friends invited.

Club Will Entertain—

The Birthday Club of the M. E. church will be entertained this afternoon from 2 to 5 at the home of Mrs. E. A. Gerding, at 385 Eleventh street. All the friends of the church are invited.

Bridge Is Repaired—

All the repair work on the Young's river bridge has been completed, and the structure now stands as good as new, above the water line. Heavy planking has been laid the whole length of the bridge and the side railings have also been strengthened with new material.

Infant Babe Dies—

The little son that was born to the wife of George H. Ohler yesterday morning died last night. The funeral will be held from the family residence, and will be of a strictly private nature, as Mrs. Ohler, who is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances, will be unable to see any one.

Buried Yesterday—

The funeral of the late Annie Peterson was held yesterday afternoon from the funeral chapel of the Gilbaugh establishment. A large number of the deceased friends and relatives attended the services, which were conducted by the Rev. Gustave E. Rydquist and Rev. Cornell. The interment was in the Greenwood cemetery.

Court House Yard—

At last, after many vexatious delays, the court house yard is practically filled with earth to the requisite height and soon it will be possible to plant grass seed, though probably that will not be done until the sidewalks are all laid. Judge Trenchard said yesterday that the matter of the concrete sidewalks would be considered at the next session of the county court.

Probate Order Made—

An order was made in probate court yesterday appointing Howard M. Brownell as attorney ad litem in the case of the minor children of Jafet Niemi, recently deceased. Mrs. Mary A. Niemi is the administratrix and she petitioned for the appointment of a guardian for the purposes of the probate proceedings. The children

are Doivo J. George and Saima H. Niemi.

Heavyweights In Collision—

One of the monster trucks belonging to Ross, Higgins & Co., and a car on the A. E. line came into collision early yesterday morning, on Bond street, and it looked for a moment as if something was about to "give way," but there was no glaring signs of demolition apparent after they were pried apart and each went its way practically none the worse for the contact and impact.

Patient From Seaside—

Albert Hoff, of Seaside, was taken to the hospital yesterday afternoon to be treated for appendicitis. He has been ill for the past week, but up until yesterday he did not know the nature of his ailment, but upon learning it he made all haste to reach this city and the hospital, where they have splendid success with cases of this kind.

Ill With Typhoid—

J. H. McLin, who is employed as stenographer for the Foard & Stokes company, and who is one of the popular young men around the city, is at the hospital at the advice of Dr. Fulton, his physician. The young man is suffering with a slight attack of typhoid fever. His case is not serious however, and it is expected that he will be out and able to resume his work in a short time.

Will Arrive Soon—

The machinery for the Astoria Product Company should arrive in this city in a very few days. According to advice received by President Staples of the new concern, the equipment should have arrived in Seattle yesterday, and if good railroad connections are made it should reach Astoria no later than tomorrow, at which time it will be immediately installed at the plant where everything is in readiness to turn out bricks after the machinery is erected.

Body Sent East—

The body of the late William McMath, who was drowned in the Columbia river several days ago, was sent to his former home at Rushville.

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Ind., last night, at the request of the dead man's mother, who was notified at the time of the accident and asked what disposition she wished made with the remains. Undertaker Pohl yesterday received response to his message, requesting him to send the body to Rushville, where it will be buried by his family.

A. & C. Regatta Rates—

City Agent Giles B. Johnson, of the Astoria & Columbia River Railway, is just in receipt of the new rates fixed by the company for the Astoria Regatta season, and they are as follows: One and one-third fare from all points on the line to Astoria for the 27th, 28th and 29th of August, with a return limit to August 31st. All of which is very acceptable and a better rate than has been allowed by the company for some time past.

Yakima Indians To Come—

There is to be an unusual and decidedly interesting feature added to the allurements of the Astoria Regatta this year, if Chairman Wise can successfully conclude the negotiations he now has on foot with the chief of the Yakima Indians, now at North Yakima. It is thought that a number of them, the most skilful riders of the band can be induced to come over and be the guests of the city and take conspicuous part in the big regatta program. But the details must be waited for.

Special Meeting Tonight—

A special session of the city council was yesterday called by Mayor Wise, to meet tonight to consider the granting of a franchise to the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone Company, to install an automatic system in this city. The meeting is called for the purpose of putting the ordinance in charge of a committee and to prepare the ordinance so that it can be properly submitted to the next regular meeting of the common council, next Monday night, at which time the council will take definite action.

Good Prospects Ahead—

J. A. Fastabend is back in the city from his mining property in the Bohemia district up in the Santiam country, and says that he has been building over an old road into his mine, the "Mayflower," and is now at work on a mile and a half of new road, which will be done in a few weeks, when he expects to move his stamp mill in, set it up, and go to work on some of the best ore ever found in that district. He leaves today for the Sound country and will return from there to his mine, where it is hoped he may find all that he is hoping for.

Got Terrible Beating—

To go on a spree, to get beaten up badly by a police officer's club, and then to be fined \$10, was the rapid series of events that befell Gabriel Mithaelovich, a fisherman. Mithaelovich appeared in police court yesterday in a frightful condition. His hair and beard were matted with dried blood, and during the progress of his hearing he sat there and picked clots of blood from his mustache and from his hands. Mayor Wise sat on the judicial bench in the absence of Police Judge Anderson and imposed the fine. That the prisoner, who is not a large man, had received a terrible beating, was evident.

Battalion To Come—

It developed yesterday, that as a result of a pleasant correspondence had lately as between Hon. Herman Wise, mayor of this city, and Captain Lamereaux, commanding at Fort Stevens, in which Mr. Wise, as chairman of the Regatta committee, extended a cordial invitation to the officers of the posts at the mouth of the river to attend the Regatta as the guests of the committee, that a full battalion of the troops stationed there, will be despatched to this city at the proper time, to make one of the leading features of the regatta parade. This evinces a hearty and appreciated interest in the coming event by the officers and the concession will be long remembered here.

Skamakawa Man Injured—

E. M. Brooks, a farmer in the vicinity of Skamakawa while engaged in hauling gravel for the county road, had the misfortune to fall from his wagon yesterday and have the wheels pass over both legs, breaking his right ankle in two places, and injuring one of his fingers to such an extent that it will probably have to be amputated, and receiving several other minor injuries. When seen at the hospital yesterday where he was taken after the accident, he said, that he was driving his spirited team down a hill, drawing a heavy load of gravel

and failed to apply the brakes in time. The wagon crowded the horses, and they became frightened and ran away. After they had gained a good start they became uncontrollable, and the rapid pace over the rough roads threw Mr. Brooks from his seat. He was immediately brought to St. Mary's hospital where Dr. Estes set the compound fracture and dressed his other injuries which are more painful than serious.

"Pat" Farrell Taken—

"Pat" Farrell, who recently escaped from the state asylum for the insane at Salem, was again taken into custody yesterday afternoon. He had returned to his home in this county and it was learned that he was there. Two guards from the state institution came down to Astoria yesterday and accompanied by Sheriff Pomeroy went out to the Farrell home. He was found there and brought into the city last evening. He is looked upon as a dangerous man when under the influence of his mental derangement, but was taken without difficulty yesterday. Farrell was working on one of the roads, having been employed by a contractor and was apparently entirely in his right mind. Sheriff Pomeroy had learned that Farrell had reached home and so notified the two guards from the asylum when they arrived here at noon yesterday. They had come down to take Klahn, the German who was adjudged insane, to the asylum, and both Klahn and Farrell will be taken to Salem this morning.

Expecting a Teacher—

Gus Groonel, who lives out Nehalem way, in the Elsie school district, No. 35, came to town last evening looking for a school teacher for the Groonel school, which is only a short distance from the Elsie school. Mr. Groonel was expecting to find a teacher here waiting for him, and he may find her in town yet before he leaves. Miss McGreevy, of Seattle, who has been teaching there, left recently to take a better paying position in Montana, and the district then set about securing the services of another teacher, and engaged Miss Newland, also of Seattle, who is supposed to have left Seattle for Astoria several days ago. Mr. Groonel says the district had an excellent teacher in Miss McGreevy and they were sorry to lose her. A teacher in the Groonel school district receives \$50 a month and has only a few pupils. If Miss Newland does not appear some young lady may find an excellent chance to teach in this district, as they deal well with their teachers out there, and board is only 10 per month.

PERSONAL MENTION

Capt. W. H. Whitcomb, accompanied by his wife, are in the city from Portland the guests of Mrs. Whitcomb's sister, Mrs. P. Jordan.

Mrs. J. Simons and her son Stanley have returned to Astoria from their visit with relatives in Willamette valley.

Miss Edith Morris from Portland is a visitor at the home of Mrs. H. Crohn for a week or ten days.

Miss Belle and Agnes Connellan of Oakland, Cal., arrived on the Spencer yesterday for a few days' visit with Sister Superior of St. Mary's hospital. The young ladies are on an extended pleasure trip which will include Portland and the Sound cities before their return to their home at Oakland.

Kenneth O'Loane, the well known drummer who has gone out of "paper" and the "carpets," arrived in the city yesterday, and will remain here until he is ready to take hold of his new road assignment.

C. C. Hancock, of Cornelius, Ore., a kinsman of County Assessor T. J. Cornelius, and his guest, is on his first visit to Astoria, and is thoroughly pleased with the city, its environment, climate, etc., etc., and those who have met Mr. Hancock, are doing what they may to return the compliment.

A. P. Pincus, who was a resident of this city and section about 30 years ago, and who retains a very definite interest in the city and has a host of acquaintances here, is on a visit from Idaho, and thoroughly enjoying his vacation.

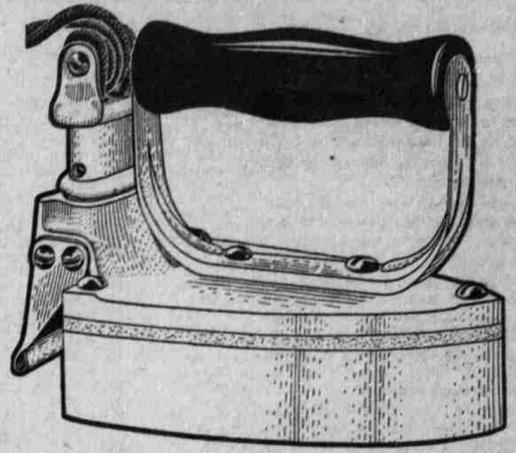
Leone E. Baer, one of the Oregonian's artists, and its Seaside correspondent, was in the city for a few hours yesterday, and domiciled at the Occident.

J. W. Palmer, general manager of the Westport Lumber Company, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt were passengers for the metropolis on the 8:20 express yesterday morning.

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PLEASANT LETTER FROM EDWARD SIPPLE NOW ON THE ALARM AT BRISTOL BAY—HE IS ENJOYING LIFE.

The following letter has just been received in this city by Clarence Tyler from his friend, Edward J. Sipple, now at Nushagak Bay, on the steam tender "Alarm," and was written on June 27th:

"I thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know that I am still alive and having a very easy time on the boat. After the ship was unloaded we did not have anything to do at all so the captain and I went out hunting almost every day; got plenty of ducks and snipe, but nothing more; it is very tiresome to walk around on what they call tundra, up here, a person sinks to the knees every step he takes.

"They have about 4000 cases put up now; the fish have not been running very good so far, and now they have been coming in better the last two days and think we will have a good pack.

"We made our first trip out to sea, today, about 16 miles from the cannery, and are now laying at anchor waiting for the fishermen to catch the scow load and then we will take it to the cannery and that will be about all the running we do in one day. I am writing while we are at anchor out here and it is very nice to get away from the cannery after laying there so long.

"Last Saturday was my birthday and had a nice time of it. Capt. Antonsen and wife and Mrs. Belland and I took a rowboat and went up the river and spent the day; we took a basket of lunch along, took in all the sights, including a couple of Indian residences, and their mode of living. We got several bouquets of wild owens and where we picked them you could take two or three steps and you would be on a snow bank. We were going to take a picture of the snow and ice together but we were just getting ready when the launch 'Success' came after us and as the tide was falling fast we had to go for there is not enough water for the launch when the tide is half out.

"The strange thing up here, though, is that it never gets dark; since I have been here a person could read a paper at midnight; it bothered me so that I could not sleep for about two weeks, but I am getting used to it now and can sleep most any old time.

"The steamer Alarm is a fine little boat; she is built something like the Lottie, only not so large; has a fine engine and outfit and is the fastest boat up here, so you can bet I have lots of fun playing with them, in running."

Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the public that no bills will be paid by the Fourteenth Annual Regatta Committee unless such bill is accompanied by a voucher duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Regatta Committee.

HERMAN WISE, Chairman,
JOHN H. WHYTE, Secretary.

THE INDEFATIGABLE HISTORIAN OF OREGON PLAYING UP THE GIANT FIRS OF COUNTY AND GATHERING DATA.

George H. Himes, the well known pioneer, historian and busy citizen, of Oregon, is in Astoria again much to the delight of his many friends here. He comes down at fairly frequent intervals, and always has something of interest to the State and its people to come after.

When he was touring Clatsop county some seven years ago he had an eye out especially for the finer specimens of the Clatsop firs, and as he found the bigger trees he made a note of their girth and height and condition generally, against future use and record. At that time he found one great yellow fellow, just west of Clatskanie, which measured 13 feet in diameter, and in conversing recently with M. W. Gorman, superintendent of the Forestry Building, at Portland, he mentioned this tree, and Mr. Gorman expressed a desire to see the Clatsop woods that contained this tree. So they are both here, and yesterday went out to the spot and took particular note of the monster.

The tree is a splendid type of the yellow fir, and for over 100 feet from the ground is free of limb or pole. It was carefully photographed by Mr. Keiser, the Portland artist, who was with them, in fact several different views, and they will be scheduled at the Forestry department on their return. In the group to which this tree belonged, there were over 50 trees of ten foot diameter.

Mr. Himes, who has a peculiar and successful faculty of ferreting out all manner of historical data, has just come across a letter from the martyr president, Abraham Lincoln, addressed to James F. Thornton, at Urbana, in Clackamas county, and will have the document photographed and duly filed at the office of the Oregon Historical Society, in the metropolis.

He leaves up today on the Spencer for a visit with some old friends at Cathlamet.

New Business Venture.

Mr. E. G. Gunall has opened a boot and shoe repairing establishment in the building at the corner of Eighth and Commercial streets, formerly occupied by N. Akerman. Your patronage is respectfully solicited. Open evenings. 7-15-ft

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